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**BUDAPEST TREATY ON THE INTERNATIONAL
RECOGNITION OF THE DEPOSIT OF MICROORGANISMS
FOR THE PURPOSES OF PATENT PROCEDURE**

INTERNATIONAL FORM

<p>To</p> <p>Dr. Chandralata Raghukumar Scientist Biological Oceanography Division National Institute of Oceanography Dona Paula, GOA- 403 004 INDIA</p> <p>NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE PARTY TO WHOM THE VIABILITY STATEMENT IS ISSUED</p>	<p>VIABILITY STATEMENT issued pursuant to Rule 10.2 by the INTERNATIONAL DEPOSITARY AUTHORITY Identified on the following page</p>
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I. DEPOSITOR	II. IDENTIFICATION OF THE MICROORGANISM
Name: Dr. Chandralata Raghukumar Address: Scientist Biological Oceanography Division National Institute of Oceanography Dona Paula, GOA- 403 004 INDIA	Accession number given by the INTERNATIONAL DEPOSITARY AUTHORITY MTCC 5159 Date of the deposit or of the transfer: 09-07-2004

III. VIABILITY STATEMENT	
The viability of the microorganism identified under II above was tested	
on <u>09-07-2004</u>	² on that date, the said microorganism was
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> viable	
<input type="checkbox"/> no longer viable	

¹ Indicate the date of the original deposit or, where the new deposit or a transfer has been made, the most recent relevant date (date of the new deposit or date of the transfer).

² In the cases referred to in Rule 10.2(a)(ii) and (b), refer to the most recent viability test.

³ Mark with a cross the applicable box

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To Dr. Chandralata Raghukumar Scientist Biological Oceanography Division National Institute of Oceanography Dona Paula, GOA- 403 004 NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE DEPOSITOR	RECEIPT IN THE CASE OF AN ORIGINAL DEPOSIT Issued pursuant to Rule 7.1 by the INTERNATIONAL DEPOSITARY AUTHORITY identified at the bottom of this page
I. IDENTIFICATION OF THE MICROORGANISM	
Identification reference given by the DEPOSITOR: Unidentified white-rot fungus NIOCC #2a	Accession number given by the INTERNATIONAL DEPOSITARY AUTHORITY: MTCC 5159
II. SCIENTIFIC DESCRIPTION AND/OR PROPOSED TAXONOMIC DESIGNATION	
The microorganism identified under I above was accompanied by: <input type="checkbox"/> a scientific description <input type="checkbox"/> a proposed taxonomic designation (Mark with a cross where applicable)	
III. RECEIPT AND ACCEPTANCE	
This International Depositary Authority accepts the microorganism identified under I above, which was received by it on <u>09.07.2004</u> (date of the original deposit)	
IV. RECEIPT OF REQUEST FOR CONVERSION	
The microorganism identified under I above was received by this International Depositary Authority on _____ (date of the original deposit) and a request to convert the original deposit under the Budapest Treaty was received by it on _____ (date of receipt of request for conversion)	
V. INTERNATIONAL DEPOSITARY AUTHORITY	
Name: <u>Dr. G.S.PRASAD</u> Address: Microbial Type Culture Collection & Gene Bank Institute of Microbial Technology Sector 39-A, Chandigarh - 160 036 India	Signature(s) of person(s) having the power to represent the International Depositary Authority or of authorized official(s): <u>[Signature]</u> Date: <u>09.07.2004</u>

¹ Where Rule 6.4(a) applies, such date is the date on which the status of International Depositary Authority was acquired

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